

BOARD MEETING

December 14, 2009

The Board of Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Tullahoma, Coffee and Franklin Counties, Tennessee met in a public session at the Municipal Building, in Tullahoma, on Monday, December 14, 2009, at 5:30 p.m., with Mayor Troy Bisby presiding and the following named members of the Board of Mayor and Aldermen: James Blanks, James Eads, Jerry Mathis, Greg Sandlin and Mike Stanton. Six Board members were present, alderman Mike Norris was absent.

Louis J. Baltz, City Administrator; Randall Morrison, City Attorney; and Stephanie Moore, Acting City Recorder; were also present at the meeting.

The meeting was opened with an invocation delivered by Rev. Elbert Smith and he led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PROCLAMATIONS, AWARDS, AND SPECIAL PRESENTATIONS – NONE

COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS –

Mr. Jimmy Bradford, County Commissioner for the 17th District and Chair of the Coffee County Ambulance Authority, gave a brief history of his involvement as being the chairman for the Coffee County Ambulance Authority. In regards to the “First Responder Project”, Mr. Bradford stated that after the first of the year, he would have a protocol in place. He chose “to pull this project back/to the table it and to take a better look at it”. He wants this program to encompass all of Coffee County.

Mr. Robert Grimes, 112 Ham Street, stated that he was speaking on behalf of his mother Ruth Grimes and others in Anderson Subdivision. He and 125 others (who have signed a petition) respectfully request that the Board reject the request to re-zone the property located at 1800 East Lincoln street from R-2 (Medium Density Residential) to R-3 (High Density Residential). This area has been both a zoning issue and a flood zone issue from at least the year 1983.

Mrs. Maureen Burke, 107 Breckenridge Road, Chairman of the Tullahoma Tennis Association, stated that she wanted to see the public tennis courts in Tullahoma maintained better. Mrs. Burke said to the best of her understanding, the last time the tennis courts at the High School have been resurfaced was over ten (10) years ago. Unless the courts get resurfaced soon, it might be too late and then more money would be needed to totally repair the courts. In addition, some of the lights at the tennis courts have burnt out

bulbs. Furthermore, the drainage problem at the tennis court has gotten worse since the high school football stadium has been completed.

Mrs. Elaine Kohl, 308 Cross Lake Drive, wanted to address the issue of any potential development on the land adjacent to the Short Springs Natural area. She feels that any homes being built would require septic tanks and the seepage from those septic tanks would go into the Short Springs Natural area. Instead, Ms. Kohl would like to see that land be kept as park area. She passed out two handouts on parks and natural areas.

Mr. Jerry Noe is a Coffee County resident with the Boy Scouts of America. He stated that this year the boy scouts are celebrating their 100th year anniversary. He has been assigned to the birthday party committee. On Saturday, February 6, 2010, he would like for a group of boy scouts to be able to march from the Tullahoma High School to the First United Methodist Church. His number one concern is keeping the youth safe and not to interfere with the community.

Mr. Joe Orr with Weichert Realtors, Joe Orr and Associates, stated that the owners of the property located at 1800 Lincoln Street has requested him to come before this Board and get the land zoned for the highest and best use of the property. He stated the current taxes for this property is only \$500 per year since it is in the greenbelt. However, an apartment complex nearby (Briarwood) is currently paying \$87,500 per year in taxes. Mr. Orr said, with proper planning both traffic and flood zones can be addressed.

REPORTS FROM MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MAYOR AND ALDERMEN

ALDERMAN SANDLIN – Mr. Sandlin said he went to the Chamber of Commerce's monthly coffee. He also went to the Planning Commission meeting which was both a study session and a deliberate session. Mr. Sandlin attended the Arnold Community Council meeting. He went to the Tullahoma Airport Authority meeting, they stated they hope to be in the new airport terminal building by April 1, 2010. Mr. Sandlin also helped serve the City of Tullahoma employee's their Christmas lunch held at the Tullahoma Events Center.

ALDERMAN STANTON – Mr. Stanton stated that the Tullahoma Pride Committee will be meeting later this week. He attended the Christmas Parade and was glad he got a chance to ride in the Bucket Fire Truck. Mr. Stanton said thank you to Patricia Lee at the Tullahoma Events Center and City Staff who organized a great Christmas luncheon for the City Employees.

ALDERMAN MATHIS – He stated that he attended the Planning Commission meeting. He also enjoyed the Christmas luncheon with the city employees.

ALDERMAN EADS – Mr. Eads thanked Mr. Jimmy Bradford and Mayor David Pennington for coming down to speak. However, Mr. Eads said he does not agree with Mr. Jimmy Bradford's decision to set a policy where he will not allow for the first responder program to be in place. He does not think the program should even be placed on hold. Mr. Eads stated, by suspending the program, the County has exposed themselves to a lot of liability.

ALDERMAN BLANKS – Mr. Blanks said he attended the Tullahoma Economic Development Committee meeting this past week. He attended the Board of Education meeting. He is still working on some plans for the renovation/reconstruction of the outdoor swimming pool. Currently, Kurt Glick, the recreation director has some bids/quotes to use as a tool for future planning. Mr. Blanks was excited that he had the opportunity to ride in the ladder fire truck in the Christmas parade. He stated that he enjoyed serving the lunch at the employee Christmas party.

MAYOR PRO TEM NORRIS – Absent

MAYOR BISBY – Mayor Bisby wanted to thank the Chamber of Commerce for a job well done during the Christmas Parade. We had several special people present; Richard Stewart, the Mayor of Franklin County; David Pennington, the Mayor of Coffee County; Eric Stewart, Senator; Judd Matheny, State Representative; George W. Fraley, State Representative; and Vanessa Jackson, Judge. Mayor Bisby also attended the old Town Christmas stroll. He enjoyed the Christmas luncheon which was held at the new Tullahoma Events Center.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ATTORNEY – Randall Morrison has requested that an attorney client meeting be set up soon to discuss several issues. He also stated that the city has 7 or 8 buildings that are an eye sore and we need to discuss how the city can fix this problem.

REPORT FROM THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Mr. Jody Baltz said that he received a letter from First Baptist Church requesting a temporary street closure. See copy of letter in agenda. They would like to block off Grundy Street in front of First Baptist Church between Washington and Atlantic during the hours of 5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. on December 21-23. They will need the barrels that are usually provided for that time.

A motion was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Mr. Blanks to approve the temporary street closure and allow public works to provide barrels.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

CONSENT AGENDA

AGENDA ITEM 09-117 - Minutes of November 9, 2009 Regular Meeting.

AGENDA ITEM 09-118 - Finance Report

A motion was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Mr. Sandlin to approve the consent agenda as presented.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

OLD BUSINESS - NONE

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 09-119 – SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR RE-ZONING FOR 1800 EAST LINCOLN STREET FROM R-2 (MEDIUM DENSITY RESIDENTIAL) TO R-3 (HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL), MR. JOE ORR, APPLICANT.

Mayor Bisby read the caption for Agenda Item 09-119.

Planning and Codes Director, Dwayne Hicks, gave the background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Eads and seconded by Mr. Blanks to set the public hearing for the re-zoning of the property located at 1800 East Lincoln Street to Monday, January 11, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ITEM 09-120 – SET PUBLIC HEARING FOR ANNEXATION REQUEST FOR 571 PARKWAY ROAD, MR. RODNEY ROBERTSON ETUX, APPLICANTS.

Mayor Bisby read the caption for Agenda Item 09-120.

Planning and Codes Director, Dwayne Hicks, gave the background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Blanks and seconded by Mr. Sandlin to set the public hearing for the annexation request for 571 Parkway Road to Monday, January 11, 2010 at 5:30 p.m.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ITEM 09-121 – SET 2010 ELECTION DATE

Mayor Bisby read the caption of for Agenda Item 09-121.

City Administrator, Jody Baltz, gave the background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Blanks and seconded by Mr. Mathis to accept alternative number one. Request an election for the first Thursday in August 2010 (August 5, 2010) and authorize staff to notify Coffee County Election Commission for the purpose of calling an election for two city aldermen for a term of three (3) years each and two school board members for a term of four (4) years each

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

ITEM 09-122 – COMMUNITY SERVICE SITE AGREEMENT WITH FAMILIES FIRST

Mayor Bisby read the caption of Agenda Item 09-122.

Finance Director, Sue Wilson, gave the background information.

A motion was made by Mr. Stanton and seconded by Mr. Eads to authorize the Community Service Site agreement with Families First.

On roll call all members present voted aye and it was so ordered.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Mayor and Aldermen at this time the Board Meeting adjourned at 6:42 p.m.

CITY RECORDER

MAYOR